REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed, and reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully requested.

SPECIFICATION OBJECTION

The disclosure was originally objected to because of some informalities.

Responsive to this, the specification (including the abstract) is corrected in accordance with the Examiner's instruction and suggestion, and it is believed that the objection should be removed.

CLAIM OBJECTION

Claim 1 was originally objected to because of some informalities.

Responsive to this, claim 1 is corrected in accordance with the Examiner's instruction and suggestion, and it is believed that the objection should be removed.

CLAIM REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 1-4 were originally rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

However, the Examiner has pointed out that claim 1 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, set forth in this Office Action. In addition, the Examiner has pointed out that claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, set forth in this Office Action and if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim

and any intervening claims.

Responsive to this, claims 1-4 are amended according to the Examiner's instruction and suggestion. Therefore, it is believed that, by the amendments, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, should be removed and the amended claims 1-4 should be allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that the application is now in a condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, he is urged to contact Applicant's attorney at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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